

Remarks:

I. Second Response

This Second Response is filed under Rule 111 (a)(2). The Applicants initially understood the June 28, 2005 Office Action as addressing improper status identifiers. However, upon closer inspection of the June 28, 2005 Office Action, the Applicants now understand that the primary purpose of this action was to address improper numerical dependency references. The Applicants also noticed that enhanced clarity relative to antecedent references would be helpful to the claim reader. Appropriate corrections are presented in this paper.

II. Amendments to the Claims

In the subject continuation application, please cancel all remaining claims (Claims 1-12 and 27-35) now pending in parent application Serial No. 09/532,001 and insert the claims provided in the Listing of Claims. This Listing of Claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application and any office action responses thereto. All amendments have been made for clerical purposes only and are not made to overcome any prior art.

III. Individual Claim Amendments

A. Claims 37-41, 43

Claims 37-41 and 43 have been amended to correct typos. Specifically, these claims have not been presented with proper numerical dependency references.

B. Claims 37-41

Claims 37-41 have been amended to provide enhanced clarity for antecedent references.

C. Claim 36

Claim 36 has been amended to provide consistency relative to definite articles. Specifically, the Applicants will use “said” as the definite article of choice.

D. Claim 42

Claim 42 has been amended to provide a basis for an antecedent reference relative to "shear stress," which is referenced in Claim 43.

Respectfully submitted,



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